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KIRKLEES COUNCIL

DISTRICT-WIDE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Thursday 27th November 2025

Present: Councillor Sheikh Ullah (Chair)
Councillor Donna Bellamy
Councillor Eric Firth
Councillor Susan Lee-Richards
Councillor Alison Munro
Councillor Mohan Sokhal

Apologies: Councillor Zahid Kahut
Councillor Tony McGrath
Councillor Cathy Scott

31 Membership of the Committee

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Kahut, McGrath and Scott.

Councillor Munro substituted for Councillor Davies.

32 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the meeting held on 9 October 2025 be approved as a correct record.

33 Declaration of Interests and Lobbying

Councillors Bellamy, Firth, Lee-Richards and Ullah advised they had been lobbied in respect of Application 2025/90487.

34 Admission of the Public

All agenda items were considered in public session.

35 Public Question Time

No public questions were received.

36 Deputations / Petitions

No deputations or petitions were received.

37 Site Visit - Application No: 2025/90487

Site visit undertaken.

38 Site Visit - Application No: 2025/91657

Site visit undertaken.

39 Planning Application - Application No: 2025/90487

The Committee gave consideration to Application 2025/90487 – Change of use and alterations to convert from vacant bank (Class E) to hot food takeaway (sui generis) with installation of extract and ventilation equipment and external alterations to the front and rear elevations at 47 Huddersfield Road, Mirfield.

Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 36(3), the Committee received a representation from Councillor Lees-Hamilton (local member).

Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 37, the Sub-Committee received representations from Christine Sykes and Stephen Carden (local resident) and Chris Binns (applicant's agent).

RESOLVED – That, contrary to the Officer's Recommendation, the application be refused on the grounds of (i) road safety (ii) swept analysis (iii) noise pollution and (iv) impact upon residential amenity of Trinity Street.

In regard to (i) road safety, the Committee considered that the proposed location of the premises would likely result in customers parking on double yellow lines, blocking the entrance/exit to the adjacent fire station and encourage pedestrians to cross a busy section of the highway with no crossing point. In regard to (ii) swept analysis, the Committee raised concerns over the impact of no swept path analysis having been undertaken, and the impact upon access to bin storage and accessibility for waste collection wagons. In regard to (iii) noise pollution, the Committee raised concerns over the noise impact of the flue upon residential amenity and, in regard to (iv) residential amenity, the Committee raised concerns of the impact of the application upon the residents of Trinity Street, due to the width of the road, traffic generation, noise generation and impact upon the loss of the existing residential amenity.

A Recorded Vote was taken in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 42 (5) as follows;

For: Councillors Bellamy, Firth, Lee-Richards, Munro and Sokhal (5 votes)

Against: (no votes)

Abstain: Councillor Ullah

40 Planning Application - Application No: 2025/91657

The Committee gave consideration to Application 2025/91657 – Erection of a first floor side extension (within a conservation area) at Kelvin Villa, 1 Newsome Street, Dewsbury.

Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 37, the Committee received a representation from Haris Kasuji (applicant's agent).

RESOLVED - That authority be delegated to the Head of Planning and Development to approve the application, issue the decision notice and complete the list of conditions including matters relating to;

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- Standard condition regarding 3 year timescale to commence development
- Development to be in accordance with plans
- Noise mitigation measures
- Kitchen extract scheme
- Pollution prevention
- Hours of use
- Delivery management plan

A Recorded Vote was taken in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 42 (5) as follows;

For: Councillors Bellamy, Firth, Lee-Richards, Munro, Sokhal and Ullah (6 votes)

Against: (no votes)